(b) the names and addresses of such sub-units as are being run with N.C.C. officers;

(c) whether there is a proposal under consideration of Government to withdraw/disband such sub-units where N.C.C. officer is not available; and

(d) if so what are the details of such subunits?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI SHARAD PAWAR): (a) There are 9992 Troops /Companies under 756 NCC Units in the country.

(b) The information will be collected and placed on the Table of the House.

(c) and (d) No Sir. The withdrawal/disbanding of sub-units i.e. Troops and Companies is governed by the following criterion:

If an educational institution is authorised more than one Associate NCC Officer, NCC in that institutuion may continue provided at least one Officer is in position. Even if no. Associate NCC Officer is in position the NCC cover will not be withdrawn unless ruch deficiency continues beyond one year. However NCC in an educational institution may continue even in the absence of an Associate NCC Officer upto a period of 2 years by appointment of a Caretaker.

Recognisation of NCC Class III Employees Association

1244. DR. BAPU KALDATE: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that UP N.C.C. Class III State Employees Association is recognised by the U.P. Government;

(b) if so what are the names and addresses of the President, Vice-President, General Secretary, Joint Secretary and Treasurer of the State Executive of that Association; and

(c) the date and the place where the last General Meeting of the Association took place and the elections were held?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI SHARAD PAWAR): (a) to (c) The Government of Uttar Pradesh has been requested to provide the requisite information which will be placed on the Table of the House.

Expenditure on Republic Day Camp

1245. DR. BAPU KALDATE: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) what was the total expenditure on the tents/Shamianas and furniture hired from civilian contractors and suppliers for the Republic Day Camp in January, 1992;

(b) the names of contractors who have been supplying the above articles for the N.C.C. Republic Day Camp for the years 1989, 1990 and 1991 and 1992; and

(c) the procedure adopted for the grant of contracts during the above years?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI SHARAD PAWAR): (a) As per the bills received in the Directorate General NCC, the expenditure on tents/ shamianas and furniture items for the NCC Republic Day Camp in January 1992 works out to Rs. 2,66,613/00. The bills are yet to be passed for payment.

(b) The names of the cotractors are as under:—

1989

M/s Wason Shamiana House

1990 and 1991
M/s Gulshan Tent & Light House

1992

1. M/s. Gulshan Tent & Light House
2. M/s. Wason Shamiana House
3. Delhi Tent & Furniture House
4. Amar Caterers

(c) The procedure adopted for the grant of such contracts is explained in the Statement given below.

1. *Working out of requirements*

Requirement of furniture for Republic Day Camp NCC Horse Show and Prime Minister's Rally is obtained from various user sections in DGNCC and NCC Dte Delhi.

2. *Non-Availability Certificate*

Before preparation and publication of Tender Notice, a Non-availability Certificate is obtained from MES authorities throngh HQ Delhi Area Delhi Cantt.

3. *Publication of Tender Notice*

Tender notices are published in leading English and Hindi Newspapers. Sealed tenders are invited separately for Republic Day Camp, NCC Horse Show and Prime Minister Rally.

4. *Opening of Tenders*

On receipt of sealed tenders for supply of furniture items on hire basis from the tenderers the same are opened by a Board of Officers. The Board of Officers then assesses the lowest tenderer on the basis of comparative statement of the tenders and proposes the firms to whom the work is to be assigned for Republic Day Camp NCC Horse Show and Prime Minister's Rally.

5. *Submission of Board's Proceeding to Tender Processing Committee*

Board's proceedings recommending the tenderers for the three contracts are put up to the Tender Processing Committee appointed for processing of Tenders for their validity, cost comparision, prevailing market rate survey, negotiations etc.

6. *Submission of Lowest Tender for approval*

After having negotiated with the firms concerned, the Tender Processing Committee proceedings are put up separately for Republic Day Camp, NCC Horse Show and Prime Minister's Rally to the Director General NCC for approval.

7. *Issue of Acceptance letter to the firm*

Once the tenders are approved by the DGNCC acceptance letters are issued to the contractors who are directed to supply furniture items as per demand placed on them by the Contract Operating Officer/Quarter Master Economy or an officer appointed by him. The approved firms are required to supply a specimen sample of maior items like Table Chairs Alimirah Carpets etc. Quarter Master (Economy) and Officer-in-Charge thereafter compare the actual items supplied by the firm with the sample at the time of taking delivery.

Sainik school students in national defence academy

1246. PROF. SAURIN BHATTACHARYA : Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that only 3 to 4 per cent of Sainik School students are avle to get themselves admitted to National Defence Academy which they are supposed to join; and